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Lan Su Chinese Garden Announces 2026 Lantern Viewing Evenings:

Portland's Signature Lunar New Year Celebration Returns for the Year of the Horse

The popular nighttime festival returns bigger and brighter with illuminated dragon dances, stunning lantern sculptures, and a zodiac animals light show

December 10, 2025 – PORTLAND, Ore Lan Su Chinese Garden is welcoming the Year of the Horse with the return of Portland's beloved [Lantern Viewing Evenings](#), a luminous cultural festival that lights up the winter season. From **February 18 through March 8, 2026**, visitors will be immersed in glowing lantern sculptures, vibrant dragon dances, soothing live music, and a new projection-mapping light show celebrating the energy and renewal of the Lunar New Year.

Perfect for holiday gifting and early planners, **Holiday Early Bird tickets launch on December 10, 2025**, offering first access to **Lantern Viewing Dragon + Light Show Nights**. The public ticket launch for **Music + Lantern Viewing Evenings** begins January 2, 2026.

According to Lan Su's Vice President of Culture & Community, Venus Sun, "2026 marks the **Year of the Fire Horse**, a zodiac sign symbolizing strength, freedom, vitality, and perseverance. In Chinese culture, the horse represents forward movement and uplifting momentum—galloping into the new year with optimism and bold spirit!" Inspired by these themes, Lan Su's 2026 Lantern Viewing Evenings highlight energy, motion, and the vibrant renewal of spring.

Lantern Viewing Dragon + Light Show Nights

Experience Lan Su's most dynamic nighttime event series! Wander through a glowing world of handcrafted lantern sculptures from China and enjoy **The Twelve Zodiac Animals**, a spectacular projection-mapping light show created in partnership with [Noble Robot](#). The evening reaches its peak with the **illuminated Dragon Dance procession by Portland Lee's Association**, winding through the garden in a brilliant celebration of culture and tradition. Visitors can choose from 5:30 PM or 7:30 PM entry each night on Wednesdays through Sundays from February 18 to March 1, 2026.

Tickets cost up to \$32.95, with special pricing available for Lan Su members, children, and EBT cardholders. A **Day & Night Garden Experience Package** for \$39.95 offers additional savings of up to 20% for guests looking to enjoy both daytime and evening festivities during Lunar New Year. Tickets are expected to sell quickly. To reserve your spot and learn more about these magical evenings, visit www.lansugarden.org/lanternviewing.

About Lan Su Chinese Garden

Located at 239 NW Everett Street, Lan Su Chinese Garden is one of Portland's greatest treasures. A tranquil oasis in the heart of the city, Lan Su is a powerfully inspiring experience that takes you through time, offering a window into Chinese culture, history, and way of thinking. Lan Su Chinese Garden opens 10 AM to 4:30 PM, Sunday through Saturday. Daytime admission is \$16.00 with reduced rates for students and seniors. Visit www.lansugarden.org for more details.

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